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Seventy-Five Cents

Barbecue Will Offer 31 Prizes \$500 Grand Prize

A grand prize of \$500, provided by the Dawson Springs Community Center, will be raffled off along with 30 additional prizes at the end of the 66th annual Barbecue street fair July 25. The winner of the grand prize must be present for the drawing.

Other prizes and their sponsors include \$25 gift card, Fifth-Third Bank of Dawson Springs; country ham, Harned Insurance; \$35 cash, Rex Parker Insurance; \$50 cash, B.W. Akin Co., LLC; family feast package, Minit Mart; four fold-out chairs, Food Giant of Dawson Springs.

Also, 2015 pool pass for a family of four, Dawson Springs City Pool; work light valued at \$35, Hayes Hardware; \$25 gift card, Planters Bank of Dawson Springs; holiday tote valued at \$42, Merle Norman, Madison Square; \$25 gift certificate, Ms. Becky's Place; haircut, Laura's Stylin' Salon.

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KAITLYN ORTEN watches over the swimming pool in the municipal park Tuesday afternoon while on lifeguard duty. Cooler temperatures came into the area overnight with temperatures only reaching into the 70s which limited the crowd. Hotter temperatures are forecast to return the first of next week.

PREPARATIONS UNDERWAY FOR NEW SCHOOL YEAR

School Administration Being Reorganized

By Carolyn Walker

With a new school year set to begin in less than a month, adjustments are being made to the organization of the district's administration. While students may not be aware of the changes at first, Superintendent Lenny Whalen hopes to see an improvement in the function of the district.

"We want to have folks in areas that really play to their strengths," he said.

Kent Workman, formerly the chief academic officer and director of pupil personnel,

may see the greatest change in his job. He will become the assistant elementary principal while continuing as DPP.

Whalen described the director of pupil personnel as "a major position."

"He (Workman) does an excellent job at that," Whalen said.

Workman will also serve as building assessment coordinator for the elementary school, handling assessment materials at the building level, along with additional duties that fall under the DPP umbrella.

Jennifer Ward will remain

in her position as elementary principal. She will now also have the title of director of teaching and learning for the district.

Lesley Mills, who has served as assistant principal for both schools, will now be the 7-12 assistant and building assessment coordinator for those grades. She will continue as the athletic director and concessions coordinator and perform duties related to safe schools.

Guidance counselor Lori Wooton will become the district assessment coordinator

and is in charge of Infinite Campus, the online student information system.

"We think this is going to put people in the best position. It's the best opportunity to work to people's strengths," Whalen said, adding that he had discussed the changes with the administration, and everyone was "very agreeable."

Other changes taking place in the district will be more readily seen. The elementary school will have a smaller staff this year. According to Whalen, the number of teach-

ers has not been adjusted to reflect a decline in enrollment over the past few years. One new teacher was hired to replace three who retired at the end of the last school year.

"As state funding bounces back, and through retirements and tightening our belt, we'll get back to balancing our budget," Whalen said.

Enrollment is steady now and Whalen hopes it will increase.

Two vacant positions — pre-school and business education

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Volunteers Are Needed

With the 66th annual Barbecue fast approaching, the Dawson Springs Community Center Board of Directors is looking for volunteer help in many areas.

People are needed at the barbecue pits in the municipal park at approximately 6 a.m. July 24 to help unload the hams from the truck, salt the hams and aid in putting them on the pits. The starting time is dependent upon the arrival of the delivery truck.

On July 25, the day of the Barbecue, many volunteers are needed at the community center to pull the meat. The hams arrive at the community center by 6 a.m., and volunteers can come as early as they want to start the process. Those helping with the meat are asked to bring their own knives if possible.

Volunteers are always needed to help clean up the community center. Anyone who can help in that area should contact Ann Wallace.

"As always, this event is dependent upon volunteers," said Kathy Nichols, a member of the community center board. "We are all volunteers, and we need as many people as possible to help make this Dawson Springs Barbecue a success. Please help in any way that you can."

School Councils Meet

Junior-Senior High

By Carolyn Walker

The Dawson Springs Junior-Senior High SBDM Council held its first meeting of the new fiscal year July 9.

The council approved the 2014-2015 budget with a beginning balance of \$32,900. This includes a \$5,000 carry-over from the previous year's budget. Principal Kevin Stockman said the carry-over can be used for big ticket items. He will discuss funding needs with his staff.

Meeting dates were set for the Wednesdays before the school board meeting each month. Teacher representative Rachel McCain was elected vice chairwoman of the council.

Wayne Simpson, a recently elected teacher representative, attended his first meeting of the 2014-2015 school year. The meeting was the last for Dan Dillingham who has resigned to take a teaching position in Warren County. His replacement on the council will be elected during the first week of school.

Simpson, McCain, Lisa Littlejohn and Sasha Fight will serve on the interview committee to hire Dillingham's replacement as a business education

teacher.

Stockman said he hopes to grow the school's technology program to include dual credit and Microsoft certification.

The next meeting will take place at 4 p.m. Aug. 13.

Elementary

Jennifer Ward, elementary principal and SBDM chairwoman, welcomed Lori Back to her first council meeting July 9. Back replaces Mark Gentry who resigned his seat to take a position with the school district.

The council selected 3:30 p.m. on the Thursdays prior to the board of education meetings as its meeting time and dates for the coming school year. The teacher/staff handbook was then approved with the addition of those dates. The handbook will be online. Teachers will print and sign an acknowledgement form showing they received the information.

The Student Code of Acceptable Behavior was also approved with changes to items such as length of sleeves, shorts and skirts; body adornment; and excused and unexcused absences.

Four council policies scheduled for

Tickets For Shopping Are Available

Tickets for the "Seniors Helping Seniors" five-minute shopping spree from Food Giant are on sale now.

The price of a raffle ticket has been decreased to \$5. Everyone who bought a ticket earlier for \$10 will now have two chances to win.

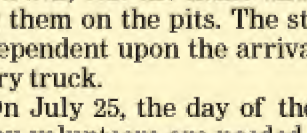
The winner will be drawn July 25 at the annual Barbecue. The shopping spree will take place at 8 a.m. July 26.

The "Seniors Helping Seniors" raffle is presented by parents of the Dawson Springs High School Class of 2015 and Tradewater Health and Rehabilitation Center.

For details, phone Lori at 270-797-8132 or Darla at 270-841-7299.

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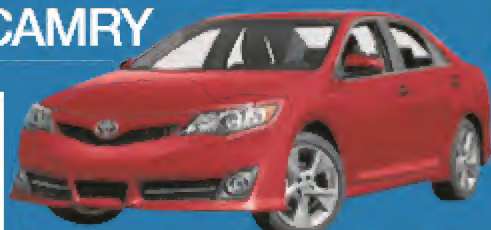
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Local Woman Among 3 Arrested In Dycusburg

Kentucky State Police arrested three people, including a Dawson Springs woman, Thursday in Crittenden County.

The KSP received a complaint of stolen property in the Dycusburg area at approximately 8:18 a.m. that day. Numerous items consisting of chainsaws, blowers and chainsaw chains were taken from a vehicle on Ky. 295.

When troopers responded to the scene, the victim had discovered some of his stolen items on Owens Road, one mile west of Dycusburg. Units followed the road until they located a hunting cabin just off Owens Road. During the investigation, suspected methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia were found at the cabin and on the persons of two females at the cabin.

Three suspects were arrested and lodged in the Crittenden County

Detention Center.

Daniel G. Perdue, 28, of Marion, was charged with theft by unlawful taking, \$500 or more but under \$10,000.

Rebekah E. Caudill, 33, of Dawson Springs, was charged with possession of a controlled substance, first-degree (methamphetamine) and buying/possessing drug paraphernalia.

Melanie K. Ford, 50, of Eddyville, was charged with possession of a controlled substance, first-degree (methamphetamine) and buying/possessing drug paraphernalia.

The stolen property was recovered and returned to the victim. The investigation by Trooper Darron Holliman is ongoing.

Holliman was assisted by Trooper Chris King, Fish/Wildlife Officer Randy Conway and Crittenden County Constable Billy Arflack.

One-Car Crash On US 62 Injures Driver/Passenger

A single-vehicle collision on U.S. 62 approximately one mile east of Dawson Springs sent two local residents to the hospital with minor injuries.

According to Kentucky State Police, Stephen Gordon, 21, of Dawson Springs, was driving west when for an unknown reason his vehicle dropped off the eastbound shoulder of the road into a gravel section. As Gordon attempted to bring the vehicle back onto the road, his back tires lost traction in the gravel, causing the

vehicle to overturn. The vehicle slid to a stop and came to rest on its top at the intersection of U.S. 62 and Dolph Carlton Road.

Gordon was transported to Baptist Health Madisonville by a private vehicle. A passenger in the vehicle, Jacob Adams, 19, also of Dawson Springs, was transported by ambulance to Baptist Health Madisonville for treatment. Both occupants were wearing seat belts at the time of the crash.

Trooper Nathan Craft investigated the accident.

Dawson Springs Officers Report Week's Activities

The Dawson Springs Police Department released the following reports last week:

—Brett Cobb, 21, Dawson Springs, was arrested July 8. He was charged with failure to appear on a Hopkins County warrant. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Kerri King, 26, Sturgis, was arrested July 8. She was charged with three counts of theft by deception and three counts of probation violation on Hopkins County warrants. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer, assisted by Chief Bill Crider.

—Tiffany L. Wright, 30, Princeton, was cited July 9. She was charged with operating on a suspended or revoked license and no registration plates. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Amanda D. Hammons, 30, Dawson Springs, was arrested July 10. She was charged with contempt of court on a Hopkins County warrant. Capt. Craig Pat-

terson was the charging officer.

—A 16-year-old Dawson Springs male was cited July 11. He was charged with possession of alcohol by a minor. Brad Ross was the charging officer, assisted by Capt. Craig Patterson.

—Seth D. Sisk, 18, Dawson Springs, was arrested July 11. He was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol under 21 years of age and failure to wear a seat belt. Brad Ross was the charging officer, assisted by Capt. Craig Patterson.

A local man was charged by the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department:

—Steven W. Gary, 39, Isley Road, was charged July 3 with fourth-degree assault.

A Dawson Springs resident was charged by the Madisonville Police Department:

—Joseph E. Drennan, 44, 180 Frederick Road, was charged July 12 with operating a motor vehicle on a suspended/revoked license.



ARRIVING with chairs for the activities at Riverside Park Thursday, July 3, are (from left) Brenda Purdy and Tyler Seawright.

White Plains Man Arrested On Sexual Abuse Complaint

A White Plains man, Tyler Ward, was arrested following a Hopkins County Grand Jury Indictment. A sexual abuse complaint was investigated by the sheriff's office and the Cabinet for Protection and Permanency, and details

of the investigation were presented to the grand jury.

Ward, 23, was indicted June 30 for first-degree sodomy of a minor.

Deputy John Hibbs arrested Ward. Detective Otis Chamberlain was the reporting deputy.

Bicyclist Killed In Collision Friday On Island Ford Road

A fatal collision at 12:05 a.m. Friday on Island Ford Road, just east of the Pennyriple Parkway is under investigation by Kentucky State Police.

The preliminary investigation revealed Jerry L. Simmons, 54, of Madisonville, was riding a bicycle eastbound on Island Ford Road, traveling along the center line. Simmons attempted to cross from the center of the road to the westbound shoulder. As he was crossing the westbound lane, he rode directly into the travel path of a car driven by Brock M. Dunbar, 29, of Hanson.

The two collided in the westbound lane, causing Simmons to be thrown from the bicycle. He was pronounced dead at the scene by Hopkins County Deputy Coroner Wayne Burton. Simmons was not wearing a helmet or reflective equipment at the time. Dunbar, who was wearing a seat belt, was not injured.

Trooper Nathan Craft is continuing the investigation. He was assisted at the scene by Trooper Joseph Bartolotti, the Madisonville Police Department, Medical Center Ambulance Service and the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department.

Webster Co. Escapee Caught

Marcel G. Jenkins, a Webster County Jail inmate who escaped May 26 from Baptist Health Madisonville where he was taken for treatment,

has been found.

Jenkins was located July 6 in Huntington, W.Va. by the Huntington Police Department.

B&K Wood Products LLC Expands In Madisonville

B&K Wood Products LLC plans to expand its operations in Hopkins County. Gov. Steve Beshear announced last week. B&K Wood Products will create 39 jobs and invest \$1.2 million to open a new facility for production, offices and storage.

"Here's another perfect example of a family-owned business growing right here in the commonwealth," said Beshear. "We're thrilled to see B&K Wood Products expand its footprint in Western Kentucky and create dozens of full-time jobs. I want to thank the company for its continued investment."

B&K Wood Products plans to purchase the 192,000-square-foot building at 200 Commerce Drive in Madisonville. The new space will allow the company to manufacture and store product to fulfill commercial firewood orders from companies like Kroger, Walmart, Lowe's, Home Depot, Tractor Supply, Dollar General and others.

"B&K Wood Products is quickly becoming America's largest producer of commercial firewood," said Jordan Baize, general manager. "In an effort to make a product of unquestionable quality and to have the yearly production capability needed to fulfill such large orders placed by some of America's largest retail establishments, a new facility is desperately needed."

B&K Wood Products produces a wealth of products, including firewood, cross ties, crane mats, mulch and more. The company was founded by Jordan Baize's great-grandfather in the western coalfield and

Pennyriple regions of Kentucky in 1955. Today the company operates on a 40-acre campus in Madisonville with more than 130 employees.

To encourage the investment and job growth in Madisonville, the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority preliminarily approved the company for tax incentives up to \$400,000 through the Kentucky Business Investment program. The performance-based incentive allows a company to keep a portion of its investment over the term of the agreement through corporate income tax credits and wage assessments by meeting job and investment targets.

"I am always pleased to see a business succeed, and it is especially gratifying to see a family business such as B&K Wood Products expand," said Sen. Jerry Rhoads of Madisonville. "Our community welcomes this growth and has the skilled workforce to fill the new positions that will be created. The company has been a good corporate partner, and I look forward to building on that partnership to bring even more jobs to the region."

"The B&K Wood Products expansion is great news on many fronts for Madisonville," said Mayor David Jackson. "This local company growth project fills an empty building, creates important employment opportunities and continues our positive momentum."

"We thank B&K Wood Products for its long history in Hopkins County and continued investment in the community," said Hopkins County Judge-Executive Donnie Carroll.



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Services Held Friday For Denzel Dwayne Sizemore

The funeral for Denzel Dwayne Sizemore, 72, of Dawson Springs, was held Friday at Beshear Funeral Home.

Burial, with military rites, was in Rosedale Cemetery.

Sizemore died July 8, 2014, at Kindred Hospital in Louisville.

He was born April 28, 1942, in Hopkins County, to the late Wilbur Wilson Sizemore and Mona Maude Villines Sizemore.

Sizemore was a 1960 graduate of South Hopkins High School and served his country in the United States Navy from 1960 to 1964. He served his Lord and Master by pastoring the Faith Apostolic Church in Princeton for 30 years. He served as a minister of the gospel for 49 years. Sizemore also worked with the U.S. Postal Service as a postal carrier and was a designated member of the Kentucky Order of Kentucky Colonels.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Delilah Burden and Delores



DENZEL SIZEMORE

Bourland; and a brother, Donald Sizemore.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Beverly Ann Pendley Sizemore of Dawson Springs; a son, Tim Sizemore of Dawson Springs; two daughters, Debbie (Chris) Brown of Princeton and Denise Sizemore of Dawson Springs; a brother, Dural Sizemore of Evansville, Ind.; five grandchildren, Caleb Dwayne Oliver, Rachel Aleah Sizemore, Samantha Jones, April Brown and Chris Brown Jr.; and six great-grandchildren.

OBITUARIES

Services Are Friday For Dr. Joe W. Jones Jr., 92

The funeral for Dr. Joe W. Jones Jr., 92, of Madisonville, formerly of Dawson Springs, will be held at 1 p.m. tomorrow at Barnett-Strother Funeral Home. Visitation is from 5 to 7 p.m. today and from 11:30 a.m. until the funeral hour Thursday.

Dr. Don Davis and J.W. Durst will officiate. Burial will be in Rosedale Cemetery.

Jones died July 14, 2014, at Baptist Health Madisonville.

He was born June 7, 1922, in Dawson Springs, to the late Dr. Joseph William Jones Sr. and Olon Woodruff Jones.

He was an oral surgeon at Trover Clinic for more than 20 years and also coached one season of basketball at Dawson Springs High School. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Madisonville.

In addition to his par-



JOE W. JONES JR.

ents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Neal W. Jones.

Survivors include his wife of 69 years, Martha Jones; a daughter, Cindy A. Jones, Madisonville; a son, Joseph W. Jones III, Madisonville; and three grandsons.

Pallbearers will be Brian Jones, Brock Jones, Randall Young, Richard Frymire, Ferris Larson and J.W. Durst.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mahr Center.

Graveside Service Today For James Marvin Hopper

Graveside services for James Marvin Hopper, 95, of Dawson Springs, will be held at 2 p.m. today at Rosedale Cemetery. The Rev. Larry Davidson will officiate.

Visitation will be from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at Beshear Funeral Home.

Hopper died July 11, 2014, at Dawson Springs Health and Rehabilitation Center.

He was born Feb. 21, 1919, to the late James Edward and Ima Mae Eli Hopper.

He was a graduate of Western Kentucky University and served his country in the United States Army Air Corps.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, James William "Little Jim" Hopper.

Survivors include two daughters, Sandra Kaye Parker, Dawson Springs, and Susan Beth Mills, Union County; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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Asa became king of Judah following the death of his father, Abijah. Although King Abijah had God's help in battle against Jeroboam, king of Israel, his heart was not devoted to the Lord and he did evil as his father had done. Asa did what was good and right in the eyes of the LORD his God, removing the foreign altars and the high places, smashed the sacred stones and cut down the Asherah poles. He commanded Judah to seek the LORD and to obey his laws and commands. Asa built up these towns of Judah, putting walls around them, with towers, gates and bars. He proclaimed that the land was theirs because they had sought the LORD.
Asa commanded a well equipped army of three hundred thousand men from Judah and two hundred and eighty thousand from Benjamin. All were brave fighting men. Zerah the Cushite marched out against Judah with a vast army and three hundred chariots, and came as far as Marashah.
Asa called to the LORD asking for His help. The LORD struck down the Cushites. The Cushites fled and Asa and his army pursued them. Such a great number of Cushites fell that they could not recover; they were crushed before the LORD and his forces. The men of Judah carried off a large amount of plunder and destroyed all the villages around Gerar, for the terror of the LORD had fallen upon them. They plundered the villages, since there was much booty there and they attacked the camps of the herdsmen and carried off droves of sheep and goats and camels. Then they returned to Jerusalem.
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SATURDAY, JULY 19

6:00 p.m. Admission \$2.00 per person
ARENA - Hopkins County Fair Horse Show

MONDAY, JULY 21

Placing and setting up of entries
10 a.m.-6 p.m. 4-H Home Economics and Agriculture and FFA division begins accepting all entries, including food.
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Home and Garden Department begins accepting all entries except baked good and flowers.
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fruits and Vegetables and Adult Farm Crop entries to be entered.

TUESDAY, JULY 22

Admission \$10.00 per person
(RIDES INCLUDED)
Tickets Go on sale at 5:00 p.m.
Midway opens at 5:30 p.m.
9:00 a.m. Judging of Home and Garden Department, Farm Crops, open, F.F.A., Farm Crops, Fruit and Vegetables exhibits.
9:00 a.m. All 4-H entries will be judged and finalized by 5:00 p.m.
10 a.m.-noon Home and Garden Department begins accepting Baked Goods and Flowers Hay Quality Contest
11:00 a.m. F.F.A. seed identification
4:00-6:00 p.m. Poultry of all breeds to be entered, Judged at 6:00 p.m. and released by 9:00 p.m. (must be picked up)
5:00 p.m. All F.F.A. Garden, Crop, Horticulture, and Shop entries to be entered and in place
5:00 p.m. Weighing of Market Goats
6:30 p.m. Open Youth Market Goat Show
7:00 p.m. CONVENTION CENTER - Official Opening of 2014 Fair-Miss Hopkins County Fair
2014 Pageant
ARENA - All-Star Wrestling
11:00 p.m. Rides close

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

Admission \$10.00 per person
(RIDES INCLUDED)
Tickets go on sale at 5:00 p.m.
Midway Opens at 5:30 p.m.
4:00-4:30 p.m. Weighing of Market Hogs
4:00-6:00 p.m. Rabbits to be entered
5:00 p.m. F.F.A. and 4-H swine showmanship, followed by judging of F.F.A., 4-H and open market Hog Classes
5:00 p.m. Weigh and enter out of County sheep
5:00 p.m. County sheep Breeding show for Hopkins County F.F.A. and 4-H members
6:30 p.m. County F.F.A. and 4-H market lamb show open market lamb Youth show

7:00 p.m.

CONVENTION CENTER -
Miss Teen Hopkins County
Beauty Pageant

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

11:00 p.m.

ARENA - Tractor Pull
KENTUCKY STATE FAIR BEARS
Rides close

THURSDAY, JULY 24

Admission \$10.00 per person
(RIDES INCLUDED)
Tickets Go On Sale at 5:00 p.m.
Midway Opens at 5:30 p.m.
All Cattle to be entered
Rabbits judged
Rabbits released (must be picked up)
Judging of all beef cattle: F.F.A., 4-H and open Classes: Beef show order: F.F.A. steers, 4-H steers, open Youth steers, F.F.A. showmanship, 4-H showmanship, F.F.A. Breeding Animals, 4-H Breeding Animals

3:00 p.m.

6:00-9:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

11:00 p.m.

CONVENTION CENTER -
Little Miss and Mister
Hopkins County Fair Pageant
ARENA - Motorcross Racing
Rides close

FRIDAY, JULY 25

Admission \$10.00 per person
(RIDES INCLUDED)
Tickets Go on sale at 5:00 p.m.
Midway opens at 5:30 p.m.
CONVENTION CENTER - Pet Show
CONVENTION CENTER -
Miss Pre-Teen
Hopkins County Fair Pageant
ARENA - KTPA Truck Pull
Rides close

10:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Midnight

SATURDAY, JULY 26

Admission \$10.00 per person
(RIDES INCLUDED)
Tickets Go on sale at 4:00 p.m.
Midway opens at 4:30 p.m.
Check out time for: Farm Crops, 4-H Agriculture exhibits, 4-H Home Economics entries, and F.F.A. entries
All Home and Garden Department Entries, including flower containers, should be checked out by this time
CONVENTION CENTER -
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ARENA - Mud Run
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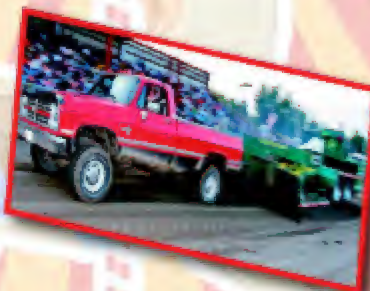


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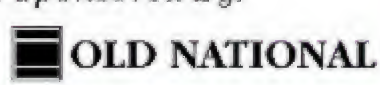


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OPINION

ABOUT TOWN

By Scott

Way too many channels on TV

Beth, my wife, is a paparazzo. I never dreamed she would be a photographer of the stars, and wanna-be stars, but she is. For most of my adult life, I have worked for this newspaper. You would think if there had been anyone in this family to grow up to be a paparazzo, it would have been me.

Wrong. Now there was this one time I had press tickets to a Cincinnati Reds/Los Angeles Dodgers baseball game. I ate dinner in the press box at a table right next to Vin Scully and Don Drysdale — and had my camera right beside me — but I never took their picture. I always wished I had.

However, I do confess to taking several pictures of future hall-of-famer Eddie Murray in the Dodgers' dugout. He didn't like it and told me so in some language not suitable for a family newspaper. Apparently if you are on the way to having more than 3,000 hits along with more than 500 home runs in a major league baseball career, you can tell photographers just what you think. He did.

But the paparazzo Beth, she had the opportunity to take pictures of stars, and she jumped right in and snapped their picture.

Here's how it happened. Last week we spent a few days at Panama City Beach. We didn't stay at a ritzy place, where you might think the stars hang out. We were at a chain hotel, but it was right on the beach. It was nice.

Mama June and Sugar Bear must think it is nice, too, because they were there with their kids including the one-and-only Honey Boo Boo. Here we were in the midst of real stars in what was apparently a star-studded hotel.

If only I had realized I was in the company of such talent. My own brush with stardom was when noticing this larger-than-life lady sitting in a chaise next to the pool. There were three other younger girls with her, and all I noticed was the older one had a very dark tan to go along with a couple of legs that were — well, trying to be nice — smaller than most tree trunks. I didn't know I was looking at a star.

A couple of hours later, while playing golf at the Hombre Golf Club in Panama City Beach, I received a text from Beth with a picture. It was of the same lady I had noticed with the very dark tan. Beth told me it was Mama June. I confess to not having any idea who the heck Mama June is.

But I'm not completely out of touch. I did know who Honey Boo Boo is when Beth said it was her mother.

The moral of this story must be something about there being way too many channels on television when Mama June can be the subject of paparazzi.

The Emma Talley story keeps getting better and better. The Caldwell County High School graduate and junior-to-be at the University of Alabama continues the climb to being one of the very best female golfers in the world.

Although she learned how to play golf at the Princeton Country Club, she refined her skills at many other local golf courses, including Pennyryle Forest State Resort Park's course. That is the reason we keep talking about her here and keep running stories about her on our sports pages.

She really is one of us as she was always happy to talk with the golfers at Pennyryle and even try to show them some of her practice routines on the golf course. They just haven't worked the same for others. Of course, we haven't put in the time she has, but surely if you know how and what to practice, that must mean something.

Talley's had a great summer participating in world-wide golf events after winning the Women's U.S. Amateur Championship last summer.

She was the golfer with the most wins in the international Curtis Cup which was won by the U.S.A. over Great Britain and Ireland going 3-1 at the St. Louis Country Club the first of June.

She next participated in the U.S. Women's Open, a tournament she had played in twice before and had made the cut on one occasion in order to play on the weekend. After two sterling rounds, Talley again made the cut. She had an off day Saturday but played well Sunday and finished in 63rd place against the world's very best golfers. She was the fourth best amateur and top American amateur.

The icing was put on the cake this past weekend for Talley as she again competed against the very best female golfers in the world at the Ricoh Women's British open at Royal Birdale Golf Club. The youngster from Princeton finished in 17th place and was the top amateur.

Although the New York Yankees is one of my least favorite teams, the movie The Pride of the Yankees is one of my favorite movies. The story is about Yankee baseball great Lou Gehrig and is a tribute to his life.

It was 75 years ago this month when Gehrig, known as "The Iron Horse" gave an emotional speech in front of 61,608 fans at Yankee Stadium. He had found out about a month before he learned he had amyotrophic lateral sclerosis — a disease that would take his life.

He closed his speech with these words: "For the past two weeks you have been reading about the bad break I got. Yet today I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the earth."

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Letters to the editor

Police chief responds

Dear Editor,

I usually do not respond to letters to the editor. In fact, I believe I have only responded to one letter in my nearly 20 years in Dawson Springs. However, occasionally a letter is submitted that distorts the facts to a point that the general public deserves to know the truth. It is easy to express opinions when the internal operations and "real life" events are unknown to the author.

In response to a letter submitted by Elizabeth Halverson that appeared in The Progress dated July 9, 2014, I take offense to some statements made about the police department and the city in general.

The city placed "no loitering" signs the park for a reason. Loitering is defined as: to remain in a place with no legitimate purpose, to wander aimlessly...

Vandalism had grown to a point that we were spending a large percentage of our time replacing broken items, picking up garbage, and making unnecessary repairs. The toilets, sinks, and lights in the restrooms were constantly broken. Trash was scattered across the park and trash cans were turned over. Electrical boxes were destroyed, fences torn down, and the gazebo damaged to the point it nearly fell down and had large holes in the roof. In addition, we (police) had to chaperone the cross country team as they practiced in the park due to lewd comments being made to them. Vehicles were driven in the pavilion and gazebo, leaving tire marks. There were signs of drug use and sexual activities across the park.

Citizens could not use the gazebo and pavilion due to people loitering in them. In the event they actually got to use one, the picnic tables were damaged beyond the point of legitimate use, and there was no lighting or electrical service. They often had to listen to obscene comments from others around.

Since the "no loitering" policy was implemented, we have had mostly positive comments. The negative comments were mostly from those who loitered in the park. I have seen an increased use in the facilities for family gatherings and parties. The vandalism has decreased to a small portion of what it was, except that a "no loitering" sign was spray painted.

We encourage people to use the park. We have never told anyone they could not play basketball, baseball, tennis, or use the playground. We have told people they cannot loiter until they see the police and claim they were "resting" from playing a sport. We watch, from a distance, and know how long a person is there before we enforce the no loitering policy.

The Dawson Springs Police Department has only four officers to cover the city of Dawson Springs 24 hours per day. This allows one officer per shift with a short overlap one day per week. Other overlaps occur at shift change or in the case of call outs.

In reference to "knowing" who is up to no good, perhaps we can gain some assistance in making this decision. In my 23 plus years of policing, I have learned that criminal acts are committed by all socioeconomic classes. Stating that a person is "up to no good" based on appearance, past history, or family status is stereotyping and is illegal. We treat all people the same. It would be difficult, not to mention discriminatory, to ask "those we suspect are up to no good" to leave and allow others to remain in the same area because we "think" they are "good kids."

In reference to "there isn't much going on in Dawson Springs," this is apparently a sheltered opinion. We are extremely busy for a small town. With primarily one officer on duty at a time, we have to prioritize calls. With paperwork and the required investigative practices, calls for service, and law enforcement services, there is little free time. Some shifts are busier than others, usually with afternoons being the worst. Our work load has doubled in the last five years, and our department size was reduced by one officer and we lost our 24 hour dispatch. We are the only town that provides 24 hour on duty police with only 4 officers. In fact, I believe there are no 24 hour on duty police forces with 5 officers.

In reference to the "failure to respond," I am sure our accuser is aware that we were on an emergency call when the alleged drug paraphernalia was found. Since the alleged drug paraphernalia was presumed to have been located by a responsible adult, we thought it was safe from children until we could arrive. When the officer responded after clearing the emergency call, no one in the park made any effort to make contact with him, leading him to believe the complainant was no longer there. In addition, there was a shift change in dispatch during this time. Communications were handicapped, as they are when you do not have a 24 hour dispatch.

We are aware of the criminal activity in the park. In a recent drug sting, a large percentage of the drug transactions took place in the park. Since the inception of the "no loitering" policy, that activity has decreased in the park. Unfortunately, it is impossible to eliminate criminal activity.

We make several trips through the park each day. The problem is that we can be seen from any direction we choose to enter from. In past experiences, people involved in criminal activities generally stop their actions when the police are known to be coming.

We do watch from a distance with binoculars to catch criminal actions, but our resources are limited

with only one officer on duty. We are aware of illegal activities in the park, from drug activity, to loitering, to vandalism, to a huge parking problem when people ignore the "no parking" and "handicap parking" signs and park where they please for their convenience. With limited resources, we do the best we can and prioritize our calls. I believe cameras would assist in further reducing the crime and vandalism rate even further, but that is a costly avenue to travel.

Perhaps some of the people in the park who can see what is going on can document their observations through photographs. If we can gain a photograph and a written statement from the person who viewed the crime, then a complaint can be presented to the prosecuting attorney for the appropriate charges. Of course, the complainant would then face the possibility of going to court and facing the accused.

The city of Dawson Springs strives to maintain all city property. I think it is unfair to say that Riverside Park gets more attention than the city park. In the summertime, one public works employee is basically assigned to the city park.

We just finished a walking trail extension grant and mulch grant and have grants approved and waiting to renovate the large baseball field, repave and widen the walking trail, and build an additional playground. Since I have been in Dawson Springs, we have built a swimming pool, built a concession stand, built a playground, and added a pavilion in the city park. In addition, the gazebo was recently renovated, and the basketball and tennis courts were re-worked.

I am sure there is a lot of work that needs to be done in the city park, as well as other city properties. Our public works department is extremely over-worked, and our budgets are tight.

We appreciate volunteers who donate their time to the city and its citizens, especially our youth. There is always room for improvement. Perhaps the volunteers could get together and help renovate the dug outs, clean some ditches, and work on the fields. I am sure the help would be appreciated.

William C Crider

Chief of Police

Veterans deserve better

Dear Editor,

Veterans like myself should applaud the courage displayed by Dr. Katherine Mitchell, the former director of the Phoenix VA Hospital. She is the person who exposed the terrible treatment and lack of treatment that was being experienced by veterans at the Phoenix VA Hospital. Veterans were dying simply because they were subjected to extremely long waiting periods to get life-saving appointments and treatments.

What is even more disgusting is that the VA was adjusting the records to make it appear that they were taking proper care of veterans when they were not. I have experienced VA health care for years. What surprises me is that it took so long to bring all of this out in the open for the public to see. The VA is very much against whistle-blowers, and being one could jeopardize one's career. Congressman Ed Whitfield has co-sponsored the veteran-centered access to coordinated health care act, which would allow veterans to access medical care at non-VA facilities.

This would really benefit veterans like myself who are always going out of state for health care and driving hundreds of miles to do so. My greatest fear is that all of this will eventually become old news, and the VA will simply go back to doing business as usual. I hope the public will not let that happen to us veterans. We all deserve to be taken care of properly by our government. We fought for the freedom of our country, and now we have to fight for decent health care.

Richard Chiodo

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LOOKING BACK

10, 25 & 50 Years Ago

10 years ago

(From the files of *The Dawson Springs Progress*, Thursday, July 15, 2004.)
 More than \$1,800 in prizes including a \$500 grand prize will be given away at this year's raffle at the 56th Barbecue on Friday, July 23.
 Javin Purdy celebrated her eighth birthday with a party June 27 at the swimming pool at the municipal park.
 The funeral for Kenneth Lewis Barnett, 75, is being held today at 11 a.m. at Beshear Funeral Home.

25 years ago

(From the files of *The Dawson Springs Progress*, Thursday, July 13, 1989.)
 The school board voted 5-0 to hire Andrew Hall to fill the band director-music teacher vacancy.
 Amanda Jo Carlton celebrated her second birthday with a party at the community center.
 Tyler DeWayne and Timothy Shane Merrell were born Saturday, July 8, at the Regional Medical Center in Madisonville. Tyler weighed six pounds and 14-1/2 ounces and Timothy weighed six pounds and 12-1/2 ounces.

Jeffrey Scott Budd celebrated his first birthday June 23 with a party at his home.
 Frank Angelo Marsili was born Wednesday, June 7, at Jennie Stuart Hospital in Hopkinsville. He weighed seven pounds and nine ounces.
 Layne Elizabeth Finley was born Monday, June 19, at Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington. She weighed seven pounds and four ounces.
 Cadet Michael Williamson has been named Outstanding Cadet in humanities and history for the U.S. Air Force Academy's Class of 1989.
 Micah Ray Melton celebrated his first birthday on June 16.

50 years ago

(From the files of *The Dawson Springs Progress*, Thursday, July 16, 1964.)
 A record breaking crowd of over 3,500 people are expected to attend this year's Community Barbecue and Picnic which will be held Thursday, July 30.
 A tractor accident here Saturday took the life of Rufus Fields, 29. Funeral services were held Monday at the Beshear Funeral Home.
 Graveside services were held for Lisa Ranae Elder, infant, Monday afternoon at Piney Grove Cemetery.
 The fifth birthday of Blake Menser was celebrated with a party on June 30.

Moments in time...

- On July 19, 1779, Massachusetts launches a 4,000-man naval expedition consisting of 19 warships, 24 transport ships and more than 1,000 militiamen to capture a 750-man British garrison on the Penobscot Peninsula. The failed expedition was considered the worst naval disaster in American history until the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941.
- On July 20, 1948, President Harry Truman institutes a military draft calling for nearly 10 million men to register within the next two months. Truman's decision underlined the urgency of his administration's concern about a possible military confrontation with the Soviet Union.
- On July 16, 1951, J.D. Salinger's only novel, "The Catcher in the Rye," is published by Little, Brown. The book, about a confused teenager disillusioned by the adult world, was an instant hit and was taught in high schools for half a century. The 31-year-old Salinger had worked on the novel for a decade.
- On July 14, 1974, U.S. Army Gen. Carl Spaatz, fighter pilot, dies in Washington, D.C., at age 83. In September 1947, Spaatz, an illustrious combat career behind him, was named the first chief of staff of the independent U.S. Air Force, which previously had been a unit of the Army.

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Letters to the editor

Band says thanks

Dear Editor,
 I wish to thank the Sons of the American Legion, Post 310 for their donation to the Dawson Springs band program in the amount of \$5,000.
 Working with the veterans of our local area has been a privilege for our band members over the years. America enjoys the freedoms that were earned by servicemen and women, and we have been proud to support them. Our students will benefit from this gift as we work to prepare for our future in Dawson Springs and the world.

Andy Hall
 DSHS band director Mayor Jenny Sewell
 Dawson Springs

FRYSC Says thank you

Dear Editor,
 On behalf of the Dawson Springs Independent School District, Family Resource and Youth Services Center (FRYSC), our students and their families, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to the Sons of the American Legion, Post 310 for their generous \$5,000 donation to the FRYSC. The Sons is an organization that sets the standard of compassion and caring through their monetary donations. The heart of the Sons of the American Legion, Post 310 is defined by the individual members. These men continually demonstrate a high level of commitment and support to our community, school and the students.

As state funding continues to decline, the FRYSC, as other servicing organizations, is very dependent on outside donations to continue providing support to our students and their families. A donation like the one from the Sons of the American Legion, Post 310, enables the FRYSC to proactively meet its mission of addressing non-cognitive barriers for our students and their families.

The Sons of the American Legion, Post 310 has a history of charitable giving to the Dawson Springs Independent School District. Specifically, the FRYSC program has been a fortunate recipient of their generosity throughout my 14 years as the FRYSC coordinator. Because of their donations, the FRYSC has provided outreach to many of our students and families in preschool-12th grade. It is through their charitable giving that we are able to provide tangibles, i.e. clothing, shoes, school supplies, personal hygiene products, assistance to families in crises, participation fees for student activities, etc. Equally important are the intangibles their monetary support provides. It is the smiles on the faces and the hearts of our students, the relief on the faces of the moms and dads, the embarrassment that is erased by not having a basic need, the elation of being included versus ignored, and the emotional support that is impossible to measure by an act of kindness.

Thank-you to the members of the Sons of the American Legion, Post 310 for doing what you do so well — giving selflessly and generously to others. It is people like you that truly make Dawson Springs a "Very Special Place!"

Dianne H. Labrado
 FRYSC Coordinator

Pastor is offended

Dear Editor,
 I have put a lot of thought and prayers into what I am about to say. First I want to say I am not perfect and never claimed to be perfect.
 I gave 14 years of my life to pastoral ministry. In

my 14 years I have preached 1,000 plus sermons, baptized 60 plus people, seen about 200 individuals give their life to the Lord, preached almost 200 funerals, and married 60 plus couples. I prepared over 65 Bible studies. Just in sermons alone I have put in over 15,000 hours of study.

During my 14 years of ministry I've preached about love, compassion, understanding, God's grace and the love of Christ just to name a few. I've made many friends; I have many acquaintances, and probably made a few enemies along the way.

I have had good times, bad times, sad times and happy times which is to be expected as a pastor. The thing that bothers me the most is the fact that as Christians we are to be love, we are to be understanding, and we are to be compassion. It has been very unfortunate that in my time of service as a pastor it has been complicated with in the church.

When I went into ministry, I guess I went in very naïve because I thought and had been raised that Christian people are supposed to be loving people, but I have come to find out that Christians are some of the meanest and cruelest individuals that I have ever met.

Part of the reason I have left ministry is because I'm tired of dealing with people that call themselves Christians but are nothing more than hypocritical backstabbing two faced people that need to truly find Jesus.

I'm not saying that all church members are this way because there are some good people in the church, but I'm sure that if you ask most any pastor they will tell you they deal with many of the same issues I'm writing about today.

It breaks my heart to think that people in the church think they are going to get to heaven because they are present and accounted for on Sunday. In reality they may be present and accounted for, but they truly do not have a relationship with Christ.

I have seen people leave the church because of a pastor's preaching the truth, because of the music, because of using words such as jezebel, sinner, and stating facts that as Christians we are not to ride the fence post.

As I address all people of the community, especially if you call yourself a Christian, it is time to stand on the promises of Christ and stop standing on the premises. I want you to know that I am not giving up on God because the relationship I have with him is stronger than anything in this world; but I am giving up on the church.

It is unfortunate of how many people I talk to feel the same way I do but are not willing to say or do anything about it. Being a Christian is something we are supposed to be proud of. There are many people who have died to protect our rights as Christians and yet we allow people of the church to destroy what we know is right.

As a pastor who has been hurt, I ask each of you that is reading this that when you have new faces walk into the church, do not shun them because they have tattoos, because they have issues with drugs or alcohol, or they are not up to your standards. Remember that you are no better than they are that we all fall short of the glory of God.

If you call yourself a Christian, I ask that you change your ways to the ways of Christ and be the loving, compassionate, and understanding people that Christ has called you to be, and remember there are skeletons in everyone's closet.

It's time that as Christians you stop acting like Christians and be Christians by doing what is right all the time not just when it is convenient or beneficial to you.

E.J. Hatton
 Dawson Springs

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THESE 3-YEAR-OLDS enjoy the swimming pool in the municipal park Tuesday afternoon in spite of the cooler temperatures. Kylie Latham (top) thought the water in the kiddie pool was warm enough while Cason Tirey enjoyed floating in the big pool. One advantage of the not-so-hot weather is the pool is not as crowded.



Princeton Police Chief Shoots, Kills Alleged Bank Robber

James E. Hamm, 67, of Princeton, was killed during an alleged attempt to rob Planters Bank on North Jefferson Street in Princeton. The incident occurred shortly after the bank opened for business Friday.

According to Kentucky State Police, Hamm entered the bank wearing a stocking over his face. He was armed with a handgun. Princeton Police Chief Don Weedman, who was in the bank at the time, confronted Hamm, instructing him to relinquish his weapon. Hamm ignored Weedman's commands, turned toward the chief and discharged his weapon.

Weedman returned fire and struck Hamm, fatally wounding him. Hamm was pronounced dead at the scene by Caldwell County Coroner Dewayne Trafford.

Preliminary results of an autopsy performed at the State Medical Examiner's Office in Madisonville indicate Hamm died of multiple gunshot wounds. Weedman was not injured, nor were any of the employees or customers in the bank during the incident.

Weedman has been placed on paid administrative leave.

The same bank was robbed two days earlier. It is not yet known whether Hamm was involved in that robbery. KSP Sgt. Derec Smith is continuing the investigation.

Be Alert For Motorcycle Riders

An estimated 20,000 motorcycle riders are expected to roar into Sturgis this weekend for the Kentucky Bike Rally. The event runs July 17-20 at the Union County fairgrounds.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet reminds drivers to be alert for a massive influx of motorcycles starting about mid-week. The motorcycles, campers and other support vehicles generate extra traffic on highways leading to the rally site along U.S. 60 West at the edge of Sturgis. The event raises thousands of dollars for area charities each year.

Barbecue Raffle Offers Prizes

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Also, eyebrow waxing, Laura's Stylin' Salon; eyebrow waxing, Laura's Stylin' Salon; haircut, Laura's Stylin' Salon; eyebrow waxing, Laura's Stylin' Salon; eyebrow waxing, Laura's Stylin' Salon; eyebrow waxing, Laura's Stylin' Salon; \$25 gift card, The Frog's Ribbit.

Also, \$25 gift certificate, Woodburn Pharmacy; \$25 cash, United Methodist Women; product basket, The Beauty Shop on the Square; 8-inch ice cream cake, Dairy Queen of Dawson Springs; 10-inch ice cream cake, Dairy Queen of Dawson Springs; \$25 gift card, Dawson Springs Chamber of Commerce.

Also, \$25 gift card, Dawson Springs Chamber of Commerce; \$35 cash, The Dawson Springs Progress; \$25 cash, Hunt's Auction and Realty; \$12 three-topping pizza, Pizza Hunt; \$15 large everything pizza, Pizza Hunt.

Administration Reorganization

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— have been posted, and interviews will take place soon.

Whalen also noted that the buildings are being prepared for the opening of school and are "looking great."

"Our custodial and maintenance team has just gone over the top and done a great job," he said.

A company was expected to begin sealing the crack in the hallway floor in the seventh and eighth grade addition at the end of last week. Whalen was pleased that the quote for the job was less than expected.

"I just really feel good about things and want to push us forward in every way possible," Whalen said.

Elementary School Based Council

—Continued from front page

review were approved as written. Members were asked to look over the council policies not directly tied to a board policy. The council will decide during the August meeting whether to keep those policies.

Ward announced that Melinda DeBoe has been hired as a primary teacher.

Upcoming events include the Brigance kindergarten screener July 28, professional development for staff Aug. 6 and 7, opening day Aug. 8 and the first day for students Aug. 11.

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Panther team wins tournament at Riverside Park

Riverside Park hosted a 15-and-under baseball tournament Friday and Saturday, and the host Panthers were declared the champions in the round-robin event with four other teams, Webster County, Madisonville YAA, Union County and University Heights.

The Panthers defeated Webster County 9-6 Friday night. Dakota Jones went the distance on the mound for the Panthers.

Kevin Brooks pitched the Panthers through to the championship game Saturday morning with a 7-6 decision over Madisonville YAA.

The championship game was also played Saturday with University Heights coming from the loser's bracket to face the Panthers. This meant UHA would have to beat the Panthers two straight games to win the tournament.

In the first game, the Panthers lost 9-8 to the Blazers, setting up a second game to determine the champion. Jones and Brooks each pitched for the Panthers.

After the first game, the Blazers' coach informed Brady Brooks, the Panther head coach, his team would not be able to play another game because they didn't have anyone left to pitch. The Panthers won the championship game by forfeit.

"They were very nice and said they couldn't play any more because they had



CHAMPIONS in the 15 and under baseball tournament held over the weekend at Riverside Park are (front, from left) coach Deon Collins, Dakota Jones, Caleb Bell, Kevin Brooks, Austin Clark, (back row) coach Brady Brooks, Kameron Orten, Austin Hart, Ethan Garrison, Jared Bean, Cole Collins, David Price and coach Kevin Gant.

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no pitchers," Coach Brooks said. "They forfeited, and we won the tournament."

The Panther coach said all the games were close and "the sportsmanship was

great. It was real competitive, and everybody had a good time."

The Panther teams played in a double-header at Caldwell County Thursday, split-

ting the two games.

The first game went to the Panthers 16-4 in five innings with the hosts taking the second game 8-6, also in five innings.

Panther girls participate in team camp



THE PANTHER girls basketball team participated in a summer team camp during June, playing games at three locations: Muhlenberg County High School, Crittenden County High School and Murray High School. Team members with their coaches at Murray on June 24 are (front, from left) Kaylee Simpson, Erin Orten, Brooklyn Cotton, Paige Hendrix, (second row) Andie Mills, Tiki Robinson, Allie Mills, Dwain Orten, (third row) Erin Woolsey, Hannah Winters, Mallory Hall, Taylor Whalen, Amanda Scott, (back row) Kire Peyton and Erik Peyton. The girls practiced fundamentals along with defensive and offense sets during the camp.

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Talley is low am at British Open

Princeton golfer Emma Talley went into the British Open just wanting to make the cut. But she did far better than that — winning the award for low amateur and finishing in a tie for 17th place, just seven shots behind champion Mo Martin.

"Going into the week all I wanted to do was play well," said the Caldwell County High graduate as she heads into her junior year at the University of Alabama. "It was one of the better weeks I've ever played. My whole game was better — I hit a lot of greens, I putted really well and had a really good week getting up and down. The course was a lot different from those in America — they had a lot of pot hole bunkers."

Talley, after easily making the cut on Friday, had her highest score of the tournament on Saturday when she shot a four-over par 76. But she rebounded with one of the best performances of the day on Sunday to shoot 73 and finish six-over par on the challenging Royal Birkdale Golf Course in Southport, England.

In that final round, only two golfers — the winner and Anna Nordqvist — had a better score, and that was just by one shot. And only one other golfer — Laura Davies — matched Talley's 73.

"It got really windy the last day," Talley noted. "My dad and I talked and decided that I'd pitch out and stay away from a double bogey. I was really happy I stayed away from trouble and was able to stay away from a big score. The course was really tight ... tight and tricky and windy."



EMMA TALLEY holds the 2014 Smyth Salver Award presented to her for being low amateur.

Major Kentucky providers not on board with SEC Network

By Jennifer Smith
Lexington Herald-Leader

There could be a lot of blue Kentucky fans come the middle of August.

Their basketball team will be on a "Big Blue Bahamas" exhibition tour, and some of the games will be the first live events shown on the SEC Network.

But if current negotiations don't budge, most fans in Kentucky won't be able to see the games on the new network. Fans also might not be able to watch the Cats' football season opener two weeks later at Commonwealth Stadium. And those are just the games that will be missed in the short term.

The SEC Network has announced deals with AT&T U-verse, Cox, Dish Network and Google Fiber, but major statewide providers such as Time Warner Cable and DirectTV are not on board yet.

The University of Kentucky has let ESPN do its negotiating, but the school and league are encouraging fans to take action before the team flies to the white sandy beaches.

"They're optimistic they can still get a deal done before launch," UK Athletics spokesman DeWayne Peevy said, noting that the games will not

be shown on the school's Web site.

"I think that was a big factor of them being willing to go broadcast our basketball games in the Bahamas."

The Southeastern Conference, which said it's having "productive conversations" with holdout cable and satellite providers, said UK's fans might be able to help the negotiations along.

"Given the rabid interest in basketball in the state of Kentucky and the fans of Kentucky, it's good content for the network," said Charlie Hussey, an associate commissioner for network relations. "Hopefully Kentucky fans will have access to that and be able to watch the Cats play those exhibition games."

UK and the league are advising fans to go to GetSECNetwork.com, a one-stop site to make requests to their local providers. Hussey said fans can also call their own providers or write on their bills that they want the SEC Network added.

To move fans to action, GetSECNetwork.com has a running countdown clock for when the network will launch. There's also a chart showing SEC schools that have been most vocal in demanding the network in their area.

As of Friday, UK was tied for third with Tennessee and Auburn with 9 percent expressing their desires to their providers. Alabama and Texas A&M fans expressed the highest demand.

When contacted by the Herald-Leader, Time Warner Cable spokesman Mike Hogan said: "I can't speculate at this point if we will carry the SEC Network. We've had discussions, but we don't have an agreement at this time."

On its Web site, DirectTV argued that people with no interest in sports "should not be forced to pay a huge premium for something they don't care to watch."

"No matter who provides your TV service, the relentlessly rising price of sports has already caused everyone's bill for basic TV to more than double over the past decade," it continued.

Various reports have said the SEC Network is charging \$1.30 a month per customer in SEC markets.

DirectTV spokesman Robert Mercer reiterated that message to the Herald-Leader on Thursday, noting that his company "hopes to be able to provide it as soon as we possibly can."

"We are working cooperatively to ensure that everyone

can still see their favorite SEC team play at the most reasonable value to all SEC fans and the rest of our customers throughout the Southeast."

But DirectTV noted that viewers should have a choice, that fans should have access to the games they want and viewers with no sports interest shouldn't have to pay for what they don't want.

The SEC spokesman said the conversations have been productive overall.

"We're optimistic we'll have more opportunities and announcements here soon," Hussey said.

The arrival of the SEC Network changes the look of the local TV landscape slightly.

The major national networks still will get their pick of University of Kentucky games — which include most men's basketball games and many football games — and they will be shown on those

stations as always.

Lower-level contests like exhibitions and games that are not picked up by the major networks will not be available to viewers on some local stations as in previous years. So, if you don't have the SEC Network, you won't be able to see those games.

In fact, UK officials have kept the men's basketball exhibition times for games against Georgetown and Pikeville as "TBA," providing some flexibility to have them televised on the SEC Network.

Any games that previously were shown on the UK/IMG Network, like a handful of women's basketball games or several baseball games, are now owned by the SEC Network, UK Athletics spokesman DeWayne Peevy explained.

The Kentucky coaches' shows are the only TV inventory that will remain with the UK/IMG Network.

BIG BLUE BAHAMAS TV SCHEDULE

The University of Kentucky's schedule of games for its exhibition tour in the Bahamas this summer:

- Aug. 10: Puerto Rico, noon (ESPNU)
- Aug. 11: Champagne Chalons-Reims, noon (ESPNU)
- Aug. 12: Puerto Rico, noon (ESPNU)
- Aug. 15: Dominican Republic, noon (SEC Network)
- Aug. 16: Champagne Chalons-Reims, noon (SEC Network)
- Aug. 17: Dominican Republic, noon (SEC Network)

UK projections and debate: could this be best Wildcat team?

Summer ball buzz. July-August in Kentucky is keep-the-pot-boiling time for basketball fans. Around Louisville, Cardinal buzz – Russ Smith has signed an NBA contract. And, college basketball's premier coach, Mike Krzyzewski weighed in. "Louisville brings the ACC a great brand. This is one that will make headlines in business journals." Around Western Kentucky U, football's Jeff Brohm is revving up Hilltopper fan base with emphasis on recruiting in-staters. What to watch: Brohm lands a quarterback the caliber and quality to match that of his coach. Around University of Kentucky ... 75 student-athletes made the SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll for 2014. The list included Dominique Hawkins and Dakari Johnson, Communications; Derek Willis and Marcus Lee, Undergraduate Studies. Based on grades from summer, fall 2013 and 2014 spring terms. Summer ball in Big Blue Nation? Projections, debate, argument, (diplomatic of course) and comparisons for season 2014-15. A non-partisan measure of how special Kentucky's team could be: Willie Cauley Stein, Alex Poythress and Marcus Lee will come off the bench. Summer ball. UK fans on internet sites have forgotten the eat-crow of the 40-and-oh rant a summer ago. The new buzz: Will our McDonald's All-American-decorated Wildcats this season be best in UK history? Whoa. A 30-something age limit can dim a look into history. The comparison-makers here settled on the 1996 NCAA championship winner. A better question for Summer Ball would be: In its glorious history, which is Kentucky's best basketball team ever?



BOB WATKINS

Sports in Kentucky

Trip wire word here is team. An NCAA title banner is not necessary. Best Team(s) ever from here: 1. Rupp's Runts (1965-66), 2. Fabulous Five (1948-49), and first team to play in Memorial Coliseum, the 1950-51 Wildcats finished 32-2. Stars of those teams? Look 'em up. **World Cup to Germany** Around the planet this week, Germans are in rejoice mode, waving the homeland flag. On behalf of the not-so-soccer-educated observers among us, congratulations to Germany for its newest World Cup title to go with wins in 1954, 1970 and 1990. With all due respect to soccer fans, an e-mail received Monday reflects the emotion of most Americans, I think. "I'm sorry, I tried to watch the World Cup Championship (Sunday). I watched and watched and watched and nobody scored. I finally gave up. I saw later that Germany scored in the 113th minute to win. Good. "I just cannot watch it. Boorrrrrinnng!" **5.5 football wins** Kentucky's football team will win five-and-a-half games this season, says ESPN. Tennessee-Martin, Ohio, Vanderbilt and Louisiana-Monroe. The half? Seems to be first two quarters in Knoxville Nov. 15. "... next-best (UK) win possibility," the writer said, "is 37.9 percent at Tennessee." Hmmm. The worth-repeating assessment here is number five. Coming off back-to-back 2-10 seasons, five wins, four at Commonwealth Stadium in the season's first half, should keep attendance numbers up for visiting Mississippi State and Georgia in the second half. Still, Vanderbilt and Louisiana Monroe each present an interest dynamic. The Commodores have crushed Kentucky the last

two seasons. La-Monroe returns 17 starters, nine on defense from a 6-6 season. **Calipari Qs** Kentucky basketball coach John Calipari put forth 20 questions he believes a high school prospect should ask his prospective college coach. Most are typically self-serving, but these are worth repeating. ✓ How many players have graduated from your program over the last four to five years? ✓ How many of your players were insured through the disability program last season? If none were, why not? ✓ Where does your Academic Progress Rate retention rank among other schools?

Correction

Kentucky football all-stater Damian Harris schools at Madison Southern, not Madison Central mentioned in this space last week.

Among my favorites dept.

Friday, July 11, marked the 54th anniversary for publication of *To Kill A Mockingbird*. A novel by Harper Lee published in 1960 is, according to a literary poll done five years ago, best novel of all time. To date, Mockingbird has sold more than 30 million copies world wide. This week, July 15, a new book — The Mockingbird Next Door: Life with Harper Lee, is on the market. Written by Marja Mills, the book, as is the original *To Kill A Mockingbird*, available in E-book form.

Was Harper Lee's words not long ago that touched my heart.

"I never expected any sort of success with Mockingbird," she wrote. "I sort of hoped someone would like it enough to give me encouragement." And so it goes.

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Want good fishing, carefree boating: leave bananas at home

By KEVIN KELLY
Kentucky Afield Outdoors

A close friend prepared to board a charter boat with his family for a fishing excursion while on a Florida vacation years ago. His mother brought along some bananas for a between meal snack.

The captain of the boat adamantly said those bananas were not coming on his boat. My friend's mother, perplexed, offered mild protest. The captain told her: "Put them on that hook over there. Believe me; they'll be here when you get back."

The presence or consumption of bananas is universally regarded as inviting terrible luck to a boating or fishing trip, especially among captains of charter fishing boats. The origin of this superstition begins with the sea, often a dangerous, mysterious place. Any of us who've experienced boat trouble knows the unique feeling of helplessness of drifting in the wind on a boat with a dead motor, hoping someone comes by and tows you back to the ramp.

This kind of atmosphere is ripe for breeding superstition. People emotionally invested in an outcome, but powerless to affect it, such as a ball game, horse race or making a fish bite, bend toward superstition. Being in a broken down boat without the knowledge or tools to fix it is a similar feeling.

Bass tournament anglers put bananas on board their competitors boats to get their goat (a horse racing term originating from taking the favored pet goat of another horse to throw off their performance before a race). In some parts of the United States, tournament anglers refer to bananas as money pickles. Some believe the oil from banana peels repels fish.

Theories abound as to the origin of this powerful superstition. Banana boats held the reputation for being cheaply constructed, top heavy and overpowered for speed. They needed the bananas on the market as quickly as possible to avoid spoilage.

When one of these boats wrecked and sank, a common occurrence, the bananas in the hold would float to the surface, leaving a debris field of nothing but bananas. People saw this as a bad sign and associated bananas with bad luck.

In one wreck off the coast of Atlantic City, New Jersey

Kentucky Afield



KENTUCKY AFIELD PHOTO

Bananas or banana associated food stuffs or products are considered bad luck for boating and fishing. The origin of this superstition has many causes.

in 1903, The Brighton ran aground; forcing the crew to dump 26,000 bunches of bananas overboard. They washed up on Atlantic City Beach and enterprising locals scooped them up and sold them on the streets.

Bananas grow in the tropical regions of Central and South America and often brought along unwanted travelers with them, mainly snakes and spiders. Sailors in these regions brought bananas aboard their ships to eat during long voyages across the sea.

Eventually, the unwanted travelers escaped from the bananas and the ship grew infested with insects, spiders or snakes, some of them poisonous. The crew associated the pests with bananas and they became bad luck. Ship captains also abetted this belief by spreading rumors of bananas being bad luck so the crew wouldn't bring the bananas and, therefore the pests, aboard.

Fulton, Kentucky contained the major ice plant on the railroad between New Orleans and Chicago. Banana shipments by rail received 162-pound blocks of ice at Fulton, flushing out tarantulas and snakes from the bananas, inciting fear and provoking the ire of workers.

Discarded banana peels powered many pranks on old cartoons, but crew members on ships did slip on them, providing another negative banana connotation.

Also, bananas ripen quicker than other fruits and give off ethylene gas during this process. This gas causes other fruits near the bananas to ripen faster as well, leading to spoiled fruit and another black mark against bananas.

In ancient Hawaiian lore, legend says men in dugout canoes went on fishing excursions lasting weeks at a time. They brought bananas with them to eat and by the time they spoiled, the fishermen arrived in productive fishing waters. The fish would start biting after the bananas spoiled. Therefore, bananas brought bad luck for fishing.

The superstition is so pervasive that anything associated with bananas such as clothing or sunscreen with the word banana in the name, banana nut bread or banana muffins carries bad luck. Some anglers and ship captains will throw any of these offending items overboard if discovered.

This line of thought even extends to a line of underwear with fruits as part of its logo. Stories circulate of underwear pulled up above the pants line by an enraged angler or ship captain, a knife pulled, and the offending label cut off after discovery of an occupant wearing this brand. Although a banana isn't part of the company logo, the potential of these make believe fruits mixing with make

believe bananas is enough to draw offense.

Enjoy bananas, banana nut bread, banana muffins or banana-flavored lip balm in the comfort of your home. Just don't bring them boating or fishing.

Author Lee McClellan is an award-winning associate editor for Kentucky Afield magazine.

Free hunter education course slated next week

A free Kentucky hunter education course is scheduled for July 17, 18 and 19 at the UK Ag Research Center, 1205 Hopkinsville St., Princeton.

The course, sponsored by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources and Caldwell County Sportsman Club, includes classroom instruction in hunter ethics, wildlife identification, outdoor survival, first aid, firearm safety, bow hunting and ammunition. The last session includes live fire and a written examination.

A course completion card will be issued to successful students which is valid in any state, province or territory in North America. Attendance at all sessions is required unless an alternate classroom method is utilized. Pre-registration is required for all courses and is completed by visiting the Hunter Education page at fw.ky.gov.

Persons born on or after Jan. 1, 1975, must carry a valid hunter education course completion card while hunting. Kentucky accepts certification from other states. A bow hunter not in possession of a firearm may carry a hunter education course completion card from any state. Hunter Education certification is in addition to appropriate license and permit requirements. Children must be 9 years old to complete the course. Children under 12 and persons exempt from purchasing a hunting license are not required to possess a hunter education card while hunting. Children under 12 who have not completed hunter education must be accompanied by an adult of at least 18 years of age while hunting.

For more information, contact Richard Martin at 270-235-1133, Roger Gray at 270-365-6209, or Harold Reynolds at 270-365-6965.

If you took the classroom sessions by CD-Rom or internet, print out the course completion voucher and attend the range session at the UK Ag Research Center at 8 a.m., July 19.

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AMONG those enjoying the activities at Riverside Park Thursday, July 3, are (from left) Megan Miller, holding 11-month old Aubrey; Miss Dawson Springs Hannah Childers; and Shelby Loney.

KSP Flights Target Pot In Sweep Across Kentucky

By James Mayse
The Paducah Sun

The Kentucky State Police will conduct their summer marijuana sweep, with helicopter flights being planned for every post district across Kentucky.

While KSP officials plan to visit every county during the eradication sweep, the amount of time spent in each county will depend on how much marijuana is found in the initial flyover, KSP officials said.

"In Eastern Kentucky, we'll fly 10 to 12 weeks this summer," said Trooper Paul Blanton, a KSP public affairs officer. In that area, KSP's marijuana eradication team searches in areas such as national forests, Blanton said.

Western Kentucky counties will also be flown as part of the summer program, Blanton said. "Each post area, and each county in the post area, will be flown, but the amount of time given to any specific area will depend on how

much marijuana is found on the ground," he said. "If a helicopter spends one day flying one county, or three hours flying one county, and they find nothing, they'll move on."

Trooper Corey King, public information officer for KSP's Henderson post, said post officials expect to have a few days of flying time this summer. The helicopter crew will coordinate with troopers on the ground. When marijuana is spotted, the helicopter will direct the ground team to the site, where the marijuana is collected for destruction.

When he served on KSP's eradication team, troopers sometimes found more than marijuana, King said.

"When I was on the team years ago, you would find marijuana, but you'd also stumble across other things, like meth labs," King said.

The eradication flights have been successful and have even driven some marijuana growers to flee, King said.

Hopkins Co. Health Dept. Issues Restaurant Report

The following food service establishment inspections were conducted by the Hopkins County Health Department through July 10.

A minimum score of 85 with no critical violations is considered passing.

•5 Star Video and Grocery — 100

•Ridgewood Terrace — 100

•Marco's Pizza (new establishment) — 100

•West Kentucky 4-H Camp Cafeteria — 100

•Ideal Market Deli (North Main) — 95

Violations for outdated milk and box of cups/lids on floor.

•Ideal Market (follow-up) — 99

Violation for box of cups/lids on floor.

•Huck's Deli (by parkway) — 89

Violations for food stored on floor in freezer; thermometers needed in some cooling/heating units, spillage in cooling units, food not properly

stored, cabinets in coffee area in need of cleaning, outdated eggs and hair restraints needed.

•Hucks (follow-up) — 93

Violations for food stored on floor in freezer; thermometers needed in some cooling/heating units, spillage in cooling units, food not properly

stored, cabinets in coffee area in need of cleaning

and hair restraints needed.

•Shell Quality Quick (South Main) — 94

Violations for fryer vent in need of cleaning, food not properly stored or date marked, soap and towels needed by hand sink, hand sink improperly used, wiping cloths not stored in sanitizer and fan cover in walk-in cooler in need of cleaning.

•Ferrell's Snappy Service — 100

•Wick's Well Deli — 93

Violations for hair restraints needed, fan in kitchen in need of cleaning, floor in need of repair, spillage in cooling unit, pizza machine in need of cleaning, oven in need of cleaning, door gasket on white deep freeze in need of repair, food not properly stored and spillage in cabinet by fountain machine.

•Arby's — 99

Violation for spillage beneath fountain machine.

•Quick Stop Deli (Princeton Pike) — 100

•Captain D's — 99

Violation for counter tops and cabinets in need of repair.

•Mi Pueblo — 96

Violations for food spillage in refrigerator, vent covers in need of cleaning, food spillage on wall by stove and wet mop stored on floor.

•Acapulco — 85 (follow-up required)

low-up required)

Violations for food not date marked, fly strip above bag of onions, uncovered food in refrigerators, grease on floor and equipment by deep fryer; food containers down in ice in ice machine, ice scoop improperly stored, gnats in bar area and freezer in liquor storage room in need of defrosting.

•Dixie Pan — 100

•The Pit Stop Deli — 100

•Papa John's — 100

•Minit Mart Deli (Dawson Springs) — 98

Violations for soiled

wiping cloths not stored in sanitizer and food spillage on floor in walk-in freezer.

•Rally's — 90

Violations for boxes of food on floor in walk-ins, overcrowding of food product in walk-in freezer, fan guard in walk-in cooler in need of cleaning, uncovered food in walk-in cooler, inside lip of ice machine in need of cleaning, door gasket on small cooler in need of repair, grease on floor by deep fryer and scoop handles touching ice in ice bins.

2014 Highway Fatalities Fewer Than In 2013

From Kentucky Press
News Service

Through July 7, Kentucky has recorded 313 highway fatalities this year, according to the state's Office of Highway Safety. That compares with 338 fatalities through the same period in 2013.

Of the fatal wrecks so far in 2014, there have been 34 fatalities involving commercial vehicles and 35 fatal motorcycle mishaps.

Alcohol was a factor in 21 percent of the state's fatalities through July 7, the Office of Highway Safety said on its Web site.

Of 2014's fatalities through July 7, 27 have been pedestrians or non-motorists. Of the 35 motorcycle fatalities through the period this year, helmets were not in use in 25 of them.

Again, the Elizabethtown state police post has recorded the largest number of highway fatalities through July 7 with 69. With 29 fatalities, the Richmond KSP post has the second highest number. Bowling Green is next with 24, and Frankfort follows with 23.

The Henderson and Ashland KSP posts each recorded 9 for the period, the lowest in the state.

Postal Processing Center Will Close At Paducah

By Lauren P. Duncan
The Paducah Sun

Paducah's Postal Service processing center again faces closure.

The U.S. Postal Service released a list June 30 of 80 processing sites nationwide to be closed beginning in January, and two additional sites that are tentatively considered for closure. Processing at the listed locations, which includes Paducah, Camp and Lexington in Kentucky, will be consolidated with other centers.

Gerl McKinney, vice president of Paducah's American Postal Workers Union Local 2500, said the closure could cost 35 to 40 jobs at the Paducah location.

The closures come after a 2011 announcement by the Postal Service that about 250 mail processing sites across the country would be studied for possible consolidation as the Postal Service tries to stem staggering losses.

Paducah's processing

center, located within the same building of the downtown post office, received notice in 2012 that its processing center would close and consolidate with the Evansville, Ind., center, possibly by the end of that year. Closure plans were delayed, however, because of a request by federal legislators for time to propose a system overhaul.

The Postal Service proceeded with closures, and Paducah's local union was later told the site was slated for a Feb. 8, 2014, closure.

McKinney said, however, the Postal Service didn't take any steps to prepare the center for the expected February closure date. Later that month, he said, he heard the Postal Service had cancelled Paducah's closing.

"But we have never received official notification that we were off the closing list so to speak ... the Postal Service is kind of playing fast and loose with the rules right now," he said.



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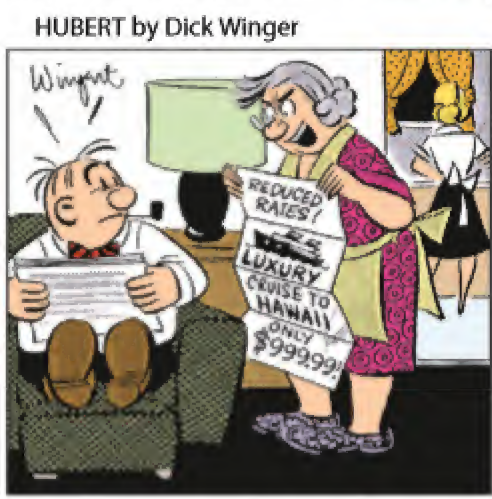
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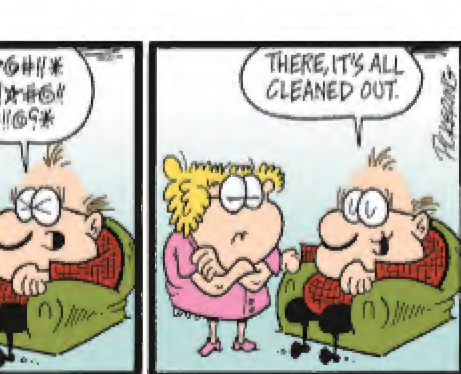
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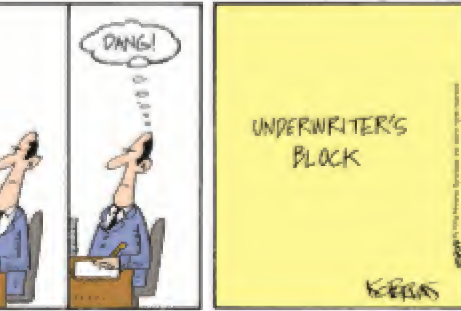
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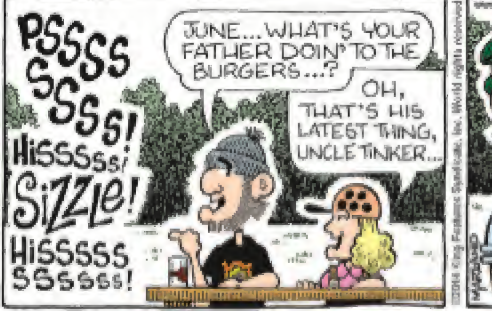
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by Linda Thistle

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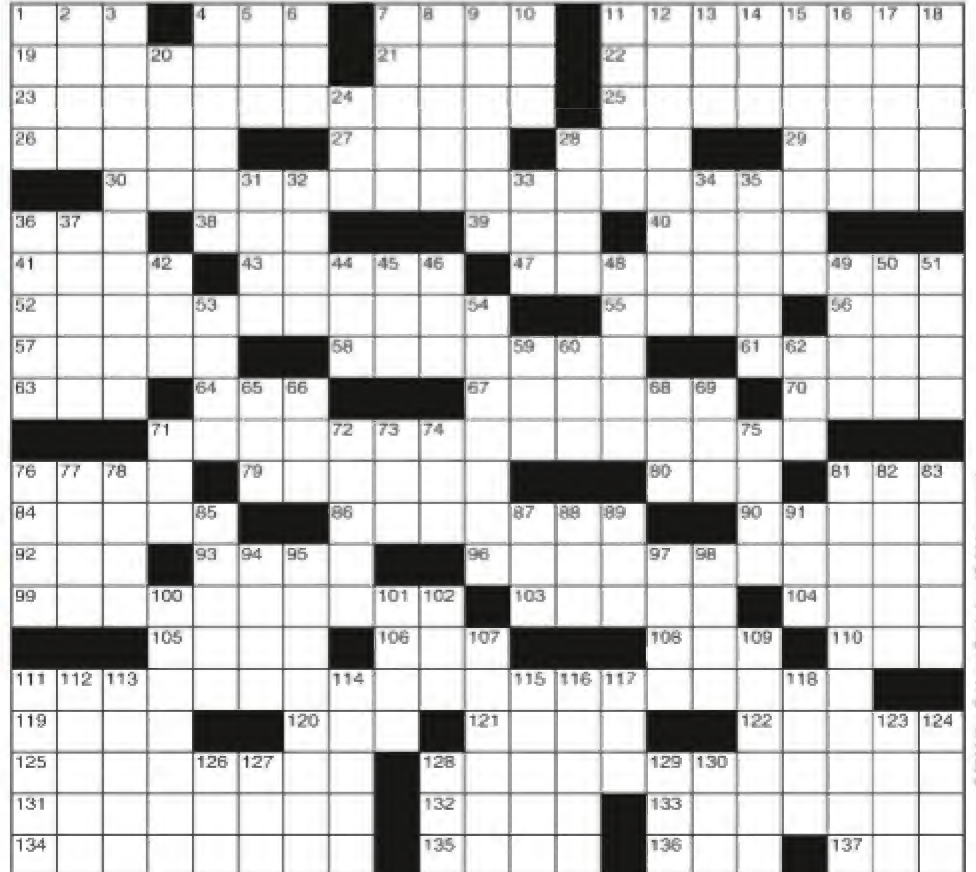
Just Like Cats & Dogs

TRIVIA TEST

- TELEVISION: What was the name of Fred's boss on "The Flintstones"?
 - U.S. STATES: What state lies directly north of Wyoming?
 - LITERATURE: Who was Sherlock Holmes' archenemy?
 - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the traditional birthstone for July?
 - PSYCHOLOGY: What is the fear represented by "monophobia"?
 - MUSIC: What music video of Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers featured the characters of Alice and The Mad Hatter?
 - GEOGRAPHY: What is the longest suspension bridge in the United States?
 - FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which 20th-century American journalist said, "Love doesn't make the world go 'round. Love is what makes the ride worthwhile"?
 - MOVIES: Who won the best actor Oscar for the 1978 movie "Coming Home"?
 - SCIENCE: What is the symbol for the element phosphorus?
- Answers:
- Mr. Slate
 - Montana
 - Professor James Moriarty
 - Ruby
 - Fear of being alone
 - "Don't Come Around Here No More"
 - Verrazano-Narrows in New York (4,260 feet)
 - Franklin P. Jones
 - Jon Voight
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- ACROSS**
- Slapstick bit
 - Co. that owns MapQuest
 - Shuttle launch org.
 - Cenophile's organizer
 - Arab — war
 - Fallid
 - Have a milky shimmer
 - Certain cabochon-cut gem
 - Wave functions of electrons in atoms
 - Pal of the Lone Ranger
 - Car with a four-ring logo
 - "Alice" spinoff
 - "Each Dawn —" (James Cagney film)
 - Pentagon military group
 - VCR tape successor
 - Sauna locale
 - PC bailout button
 - meal (dine)
 - Cut a crop
 - Muzzle
 - Jimi Hendrix album
 - "Closer to Fine" duo
 - Suited to —
 - "It's all — day's work"
 - Poke lightly
 - Yehzee accessory
 - In the future
 - Lock partner
 - Prefix that negates
 - Gium
 - Lawn uglifier
 - "An Awfully Big Adventure" novelist
 - "Gold Dust" singer Amos
 - General Jeb
 - Pay cash for
 - Volkswagen convertible
 - "— you glad you asked?"
 - Ritz maker
 - "Chicago" role — Hart
 - Meadowland
 - "Castaway" director
 - Nicolas
 - Compact car of the 2000s
 - Widespread Eurasian duck
 - "Rubbish!"
 - "— ill" ("Aha!")
 - "That hurts!"
 - Britain's Lord Sebastian —
 - Wagering parlor, briefly
 - Miracle —
 - Long-running Cartoon Network series
 - Georgia ex-senator Sam
 - Soul singer Des'
 - Bullying bull
 - Vital artery
 - Table in a history book
 - Catholic Christmas Eve service
 - Restated
 - Pupil's place
 - Auto racer's pull-over
 - Basketball two-handers
 - For fear that
 - Operative
 - Toe lead-in
- DOWN**
- Central idea
 - About
 - Pa's pa
 - Fabes
 - Ending for play
 - Cheeky talk
 - Biblical book after Micah
 - Comment in parentheses
 - "Yes" vote
 - "Who's Afraid of Virginia —?"
 - Start of an objection
 - Put cuffs on
 - Yale alum
 - Eyeball parts
 - Came — (steak dish)
 - Cato's 254
 - Novelist Ken
 - Joker Johnson
 - Bit of butter
 - Points where lines meet
 - Lhasa —
 - Knelt
 - "Bad boy!"
 - Despise
 - Merman or Mertz
 - Imbibe
 - Event locale
 - Sty animal
 - Suffix with planet or fact
 - Mentalist
 - Geller
 - Mom's skill
 - Sensation of taste
 - Web —
 - Palella locale
 - Unit of 36"
 - Basic unit of heredity
 - Hebrew, e.g.
 - Pen prisoner
 - Inner city, informally
 - Wonderment
 - Surg. sites
 - Big Apple daily. Abbr.
 - Bro or sis
 - University email ender
 - Container for recyclables
 - Fencing attack
 - Sheep's cry
 - Certain Wall St. trader
 - Greek lamb sandwich
 - Soft mineral
 - Double-disc cookie
 - 500 sheets
 - Overstate
 - OPEC ship
 - Altercation
 - Lake catch
 - "Zip it!"
 - Co. top dog
 - Lacto — -vegetarian
 - Yukata sash
 - Formerly
 - System for linking computers
 - "Oh — little faith!"
 - Prefix with -plasm
 - Complaining sorts
 - Yearn (for)
 - Rawls or Gehrig
 - Intact
 - Like an impish kid
 - Opposers
 - Rather
 - With 114-Down, not-yet-fulfilled necessities
 - See 113-Down
 - "— on our side"
 - & Young
 - King, in Aries
 - Dot — (e-businesses)
 - General — chicken
 - Some vipers
 - "— di-dah!"
 - Skater
 - Midori
 - .001-inch unit
 - Motorist's r.e. displayer
 - Not square



To Your Good Health

By Keith Roach, M.D.
Here's the Skinny on Artificial Sweeteners
DEAR DR. ROACH: I have questions regarding sugar substitutes. I have come to the overwhelming conclusion that sugar is a poison to the human body. However, I have never read any information regarding the safety of sugar substitutes. My questions are: Are they harmless to our bodies; are some safer than others; and do any benefits exist in using some over others? — J.R.K.B.

ANSWER: While I think the term "poison" is too strong, I agree that excess sugar is unhealthy and contributes to both Type 2 diabetes and to obesity. Natural sugars, such as from whole fruits, appear to be treated differently in the body from added sugars, such as those in soft drinks, sports drinks and energy drinks.

Your question is about sugar substitutes, and there are many. There's no way to comprehensively cover them all, but let me talk about the different types.

Artificial sweeteners include aspartame (Equal, NutraSweet), saccharin (Sweet'N Low), sucralose (Splenda) and others. Most experts agree that these are safe in reasonable doses, but some people may have unpleasant reactions to any of them. Aspartame and saccharin have been linked to cancer in laboratory animals, but never in humans.

The natural sweetener Stevia also is generally well-tolerated and safe.

Sugar alcohols, such as sorbitol, xylitol and mannitol, raise blood sugars somewhat and often cause cramping, gas and diarrhea if taken in large quantities or by people sensitive to their effects.

So, while all are generally safe, any can cause side effects. I don't recommend any of them above the others, though I have seen reactions to sugar alcohols most frequently.

DEAR DR. ROACH: I have been diagnosed with Holmes-Adie syndrome. I can not find much information on this syndrome other than that it is rare, caused by a virus or bacteria and affects the autonomic nervous system. What is the autonomic nervous system? Can you provide any information on this condition, if it will progress and what to expect? What kind of doctor treats it? — N.W.

ANSWER: The Adie pupil, also called Adie's tonic pupil, is found when the eye loses part of its nerve supply. This causes one pupil to be bigger than the other during light exposure but smaller than the other when looking at objects close up. An Adie's pupil usually occurs without other problems in the autonomic nervous system, but it can occur alongside other problems, such as Ross syndrome, where the Adie pupil is associated with abnormal reflexes and partial loss of sweating. Syphilis causes a similar pupil, but on both sides, in which case a test for syphilis should be done.

An eye doctor can help fit special glasses with one lens that's different from the other to help correct the vision issues that may occur. Fortunately, most cases do not progress.

The booklet on macular degeneration explains another common eye ailment. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Roach — No. 701W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu. To view and order health pamphlets, visit www.rbmamall.com, or write to P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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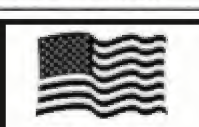
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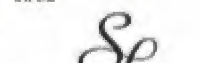
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Participants can still register on race day or

the night before at the pasta dinner. The dinner is open to the public. Tickets can be purchased from Bro. Brad Shuck at the First United Methodist Church Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

MCC Hosting Open House For Two Events In July

Madisonville Community College will host two open house events July 31 for individuals to learn more about programs of study, career assessment, financial aid, transfer opportunities, admissions and registration.

From 8 a.m. until 7 p.m., the biomedical technology systems program open house will be held in room 136 of the Brown Badgett Sr. Energy and Advanced Technology Center. The BTS program is a career choice for individuals interested in repair and maintenance of state-of-the-art medical equipment. The program is designed for ease of accessibility with

online instruction along with limited, one day per week on site lab sessions. For more information, contact Joey Jones at 270-824-1759 or joey.jones@kctcs.edu.

From 1 to 4 p.m., the "Yes, You Can!" open house and college fair hosted by MCC's Office of Diversity Programs in the enrollment center. Representatives will be available to assist with college admission, course registration, financial aid, career assessment and transfer opportunities. For information, contact Vincent Wilson at 270-824-8576 or vincent.wilson@kctcs.edu.



JALYN COTTON accepts a trophy as second runner-up in the Miss Dawson Springs contest Saturday, June 21, from last year's winner **Kristin Peek**.

Isley Community Church To Host Southern Grace

Isley Community Church will host a special singing featuring Southern Grace at 7 p.m.

Saturday. The public is invited. For additional information, phone 270-322-3132.

D.S. Baptist Temple Announces Vacation Bible School Saturday

Vacation Bible School will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Dawson Springs Baptist Temple on 4-H Camp Road.

The event will be an afternoon of singing, food,

fun and games with Bible teaching and preaching by Bro. Thomas Green of Radcliff.

Everyone is invited. For transportation, phone 270-875-2932 or 270-797-8548.

Vacation Bible School To Start At Mount Pisgah Baptist Church

The Robertson family from Duck Dynasty invites all children, preschool through grade 12, to attend Willie's Redneck Rodeo®, lassoing five values from

the parables of Jesus. The Vacation Bible School program will be held July 21-25 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Mount Pisgah Baptist Church.



KATHY SUE PARSONS makes a purchase at a concession stand at Riverside Park Thursday, July 3.



MALLORY HALL (left) and **Kaylee Simpson**, eighth graders at Dawson Springs Junior High School, ran in the Hopkinsville YMCA 5K Glow Run Saturday, July 12. Both girls will run for DSHS cross country team in the fall.

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To determine eligibility, residents should contact their local centers available at <http://www.kyvae.org/countycontacts.aspx>.

Commission On Women Appointments Are Made

Gov. Steve Beshear has made the following appointments to the Kentucky Commission on Women:

Sarah Oglesby of Dawson Springs is a professor at Madisonville Community College. She replaces Karen L. Brown of Paducah, whose term has expired. Oglesby will serve for a term expiring Jan. 17, 2018.

Catherine Meeks Bishop of Bowling

Green is a paralegal at English, Lucas, Priest, Owsley. The appointment replaces Linda K. Breathitt, whose term has expired. Bishop will serve for a term expiring Jan. 17, 2017.

Janet A. Craig of Lexington is an attorney at Stites & Harbison PLLC. She replaces Phyllis S. Anderson, whose term has expired. Craig will serve for a term expiring Jan. 17, 2018.

Schools Get Grants For Raising Attendance Age

The Kentucky Department of Education is making \$10,000 grants available to the 53 Kentucky school districts which raised the compulsory school age from 16 to 18 during the past year. The grants can be used to identify, intervene and prevent students from dropping out of school and to plan for implementation of the new policy in the 2015-2016 school year. Effective in 2017-2018, all Kentucky districts will be required to keep students in school until they turn 18 or graduate, if before the student's 18th birthday.

Among the 95 districts receiving grants a year ago, the majority used the money for digital/virtual curriculum, alternative education programs and support, individual student intervention and response to intervention and toward a dedicated staff person to be responsible for dropout preven-

tion and intervention.

Kentucky school districts will have an opportunity to delve deeper into the strategies of dropout prevention as the state hosts the 25th annual National Dropout Prevention Network Conference Nov. 2-5 in Louisville.

Applications Available For Miss Black Patch

The annual Miss Black Patch Princess and Junior Miss Black Patch beauty contests will be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 9 in the Butler Auditorium in Princeton. Rehearsal is Aug. 8 at 6 p.m.

Entries are now being taken for the pageants which are open to girls age 8 to 12 and 13 to 15, respectively. The contest is open to Caldwell County and surrounding counties.

Applications are available in Princeton at

Ziobro's Weddings and Formals, 219 E. Main St., after 3 p.m.; Farmer's Bank, 111 W. Washington St.; and the Farmer's Bank Branch on U.S. 62 West.

The entry fee is \$40. The deadline for entry is Aug. 10.

The pageant will be limited to the first 25 girls entering each contest.

The event is presented by The Caldwell County Historical Society. For information, phone 270-365-9813.

Kentucky Author To Speak At Pennyrile Resort Park

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park will host a book talk and signing by Kentucky author Eddie Price at 10 a.m. July 30.

Price, an award-winning educator who lives in Hancock County, is

the author of "Widder's Landing," an historical novel about frontier life in Kentucky in the early 1800s. The talk and signing will be in the park's Fireside Room in the lodge.



CAMERON RILEY accepts a plaque and trophy as first runner-up and Miss Congeniality in the Miss Dawson Springs contest Saturday, June 21, from last year's winner **Kristin Peek**.

Students Should Check KEES Accounts' Accuracy

Kentucky high school students and 2014 graduates should check their Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship accounts for accuracy.

KEES allows students to earn money for college by getting good grades in high school and for qualifying scores on the ACT or SAT. Students eligible for free or reduced lunches may also earn awards for good scores on Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate exams. KEES is administered by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority.

To check awards and personal information, students need to use the MyKHEAA function on www.kheaa.com. If they do not already have a MyKHEAA account, they can set one up using the "Sign In" button on the KHEAA home page.

Students can verify their KEES GPA is correct by taking the letter grade for each course taken during the year and converting it to a 4.0 scale. On this scale, an A equals 4.0; B, 3.0; C, 2.0; D, 1.0; and F, 0. AP and IB course grades receive

one extra point, making an A, 5.0; B, 4.0, etc. The GPA is calculated by adding all the points together and dividing the total by the number of credits earned during the year. Pluses and minuses are not taken into account, so an A- and an A+ are both worth 4.0 points.

In addition to KEES, students should check their personal information: name, date of birth, address and Social Security number. Students who need to have GPAs or other information corrected should contact their high school counselor.

If students have problems with their MyKHEAA account or cannot see their KEES information, they should call the KHEAA College Access Team at 800-928-8926.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, go to www.gotocollege.ky.gov. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602 or phone 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7372.



NEW officers elected July 14, for the Pennyrile Area Development District board of directors are (from left) Hopkins Co. Judge Executive **Donnie Carroll**, secretary; Elkton mayor **Nancy Camp**, treasurer; **Lori Harper**, vice-chairwoman; and Muhlenberg Co. Judge Executive **Rick Newman**, board chairman.

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